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Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30141 (a)(1)(A) and (b)(1); 49 CFR 593.8; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

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Marilynne Jacobs,

*Director, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning new Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before March 4, 1996, to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, T:FP, room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be directed to Martha R. Brinson, (202) 622-3869, Internal Revenue Service, T:FP, room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number  
*OMB Number:* To be assigned later.  
*Form Number:* W-7.

*Abstract:* Proposed regulations under section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code introduce a new type of taxpayer identifying number called the "IRS individual taxpayer identification number" (ITIN). When available, individuals who currently do not have, and are not eligible to obtain, social security numbers can apply for this

number. Taxpayers may use this number when required to furnish a taxpayer identifying number under regulations. An ITIN would be applied for on Form W-7 and is intended for tax use only.

*Current Actions:* This is a new collection of information.

*Type of Review:* New OMB approval.

*Affected Public:* Individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 500,000.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 56 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 470,000.

**REQUEST FOR COMMENTS:** Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Written comments should address the accuracy of the burden estimates and ways to minimize burden including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology, as well as other relevant aspects of the information collection request.

Garrick R. Shear,

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer*

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